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WORSHIP AS USUAL, AMID UNUSUAL RUMORS — The President and Mrs. Kennedy as they left St. Stephen the Martyr Church in Washington after attending mass yesterday. Rumors of international crisis were current in the capital.

military judgments after consulting the Joint Chiefs of Staff and others. Thereafter, he said, the country and the Congress would be notified.

It was possible that this is what the consultations were all about—that is, Cuba may indeed have been found to possess offensive military capability, and the people and Congress may be about to be notified.

The Caribbean military maneuver now going on is called phibious grigade landing exercise. The landing, obviously a dress rehearsal for an amphibious landing on Cuba if any is

ever ordered, is scheduled for early this week at Vieques, Puerto Rico, which is only a few hundred miles from Cuba.

Among the 20,000 men involved are 8,000 combat Marines. The 45 ships involved include the 76,000-ton carrier Independence, which boasts 100 first-line jets plus propeller planes; two helicopter carriers, the Okinawa and Thetis Bay, and the anti-submarine carrier Randolph, as well as 20 destroyer types, 15 landing ships, three submarines and other vessels.

But other American military units were also reported on the

move. In each case, the Pentagon had a simple explanation, given only on request and without detail.

For one thing, the 85,000-ton, nuclear powered carrier Enterprise suddenly left Hampton Roads, Va., and went to sea along with other Navy ships. It was explained that these vessels wanted "open water" because of the approach of hurricane Ella. But it seemed strange to go to sea even though the hurricane itself had veered in that direction and no longer threatened the Atlantic Coast.

In addition, air and ground

Marines on the West Coast were suddenly shifted to Camp Le Jeune, N. C. The Pentagon said this was part of the Caribbean maneuver.